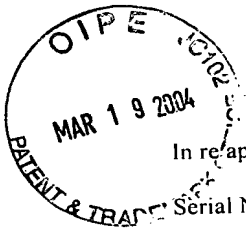


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re: application of: Masaki Hanzawa

Serial No. : 09/487,675

Filed : January 20, 2000

For : ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT FOR LOADING THEREON A RECORDING  
MEDIUM EMPLOYING A SOLID-STATE MEMORY ELEMENT

Date : March 16, 2004

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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☐ Additional Fee for this Amendment

☐ This Response is being filed within the ☐ first month, ☐ second month, ☐ third month, ☐ fourth month, ☐ fifth month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. Applicants Petition for an extension, and the fee of ☐ \$110 (\$55), ☐ \$420 (\$210), ☐ \$950 (\$475), ☐ \$1,480 (\$740), ☐ \$2,010 (\$1,005) is due and paid herewith.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of August 13, 2003,  
Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified

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application be amended as follows.